

MINUTES OF THE
WORK SESSION OF THE
CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF BURLINGTON
November 6, 2006

The City Council of the City of Burlington held a regularly scheduled work session at the John Robert Kernodle Senior Activities Center on November 6, 2006, at 7:00 p.m.

Councilmembers present: Mayor Ross, Councilmembers Jones, Huffman, Starling and Wall

Councilmembers absent: None

Harold Owen, City Manager, present

Robert M. Ward, City Attorney, present

Jondeen D. Terry, City Clerk, present

Other Staff Present: Bob Harkrader, Jennifer Smith, Jim Lauritsen, Linda Hollifield, Gary Hicks, Bob Patterson and David Beale

Media Present: Tomas Murawski, Alamance News, and Bob Boyer, Times-News

Others Present: Steve Hall, Chief Financial Officer, Tri-Path Imaging; Franz Holt, Alley, Williams, Carmen and King; and several citizens.

A) Tri-Path Imaging

Mr. Steve Hall explained that Tri-Path develops, manufactures, markets and sells products that are used for early detection of cancer. He gave the history of Tri-Path. He stated that the company has approximately 80 employees.

B) Southwest Area Plan

Mr. Bob Harkrader said the City Council had discussed basic land use within the Western Loop Corridor at its retreat last February and had held a public hearing on the matter on April 4, 2006. At the public hearing City staff presented future land uses within the area, and Council heard from several citizens regarding various aspects of land planning within the University Drive area. City Council asked staff to present the proposal to the Burlington Planning and Zoning Commission for its review and comment. The commission did so on July 24, 2006, and August 21, 2006, and its recommendations were forwarded to City Council. Mr. Harkrader pointed out that there had been considerable opportunity for citizen input.

Mr. Owen stressed that the Land Use Plan and zoning were not the same and that the second public hearing would be held on November 7, 2006.

C) Stormwater Regulations

Public Works Director Gary Hicks and Stormwater Manager Bob Patterson gave a brief update. The Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) has stated that the City is required to amend the stormwater permit that was issued in 2005 to follow the session law.

The consensus of the City Council was to add to the November 7, 2006, City Council agenda to request the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources to amend the City of Burlington's Phase II Stormwater Permit to comply with N.C. Session Law 2006-246 (SB1566).

Mr. Owen said that the Jordan Lake rules would be considered on January 10, 2007.

D) Resignation and Appointment - Historic Preservation
Commission

Public Information Officer Jennifer Smith reported that a resignation had been received from Raymond Christian. She distributed eight applications from which the Council could choose a replacement.

The consensus of the Council was to wait until the next meeting to make the appointment.

E) Questions Concerning City Council Agenda

Mr. Owen asked if there were questions concerning the agenda, and there was no comment.

REQUEST FOR CLOSED SESSION

Upon motion by Councilmember Wall, seconded by Councilmember Starling, it was resolved unanimously to go into closed session pursuant to General Statutes Section 143-318.11(a)(4) to discuss a matter of a location for a proposed business and economic incentives for this business.

CLOSED SESSION WAS HELD.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned.

Jondeen D. Terry
City Clerk